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FOREIGN BROADCAST INFORMATION SERVICE
HONG KONG BUREAU

MHK-7016
1 September 1987

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Foreign Broadcast Information Service
FROM : Chief, Hong Kong Bureau
THROUGH : Chief, Operations Group
SUBJECT : Monthly Report--Hong Kong Bureau--August 1987

I. GENERAL

1. The fourth and bloodiest coup attempt against President Aquino of the Philippines started in the early morning hours of 28 August. The bureau responded by opening up early and placing the Philippine radios on open watch. One Philippine monitor was called back from annual leave to assist in coverage. As it became evident that this coup was not confined to Metro Manila but even reached into the provinces, the bureau instituted procedures to stay open 24 hours. Following the bureau tradition of "hands on" learning, [] newly arrived deputy chief, volunteered to take the midnight shift working the slot with FBA-1 computers. By 29 August the Aquino government had recaptured Camp Aguinaldo, Broadcast City, Camelot Hotel, Villamor Air Base and calm had returned to Manila and the provinces. The bureau then stood down from its 24-hour coverage, reverting to regular hours. Reception of the Philippine radios was generally fair during the coup attempt, with some radios fading to unmonitorable. Just to remind us that not all Philipinos were unduly worried by the coup attempt, Baguio City Radio resumed regular broadcasting with a soap opera in the early afternoon on 28 August when it concluded everything was normal.

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2. The bureau is now responsible for the maintenance and operation of its FBA-1 system with the 14 August departure of [] who had provided post-delivery system support. [] now chief of the Commo and System Administrators Unit, and [] backup system administrators, along with the bureau's two techs have ably kept the system operational.

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II. OPERATIONS

A. Monitorial/Editorial

1. The backlog which developed in the editorial section with the full implementation of FBA-1 has now been cleared. Editors have become accustomed to the more cumbersome system on the LAN for processing AFP or have taken to using the paper route when long items need to be reformatted. ✓

2. The Hong Kong XINHUA English Wire Service circuit was installed on 18 August. We are using it as background and for comparison purposes in determining what to process from the Hong Kong XINHUA Chinese Service, the China News Service in Chinese and the China News Agency in Chinese. As we gain experience with the news service, we will be better able to assess how we can take over backup coverage from London.

3. The bureau instituted emergency backup coverage of Beijing Television for Okinawa Bureau when Typhoon Dinah struck the island. Despite it being a local holiday weekend, Cable and Wireless responded well to our emergency request.

B. Lateral Services

BBC requested and the Chinese unit processed at priority precedence a two-take SHIJIE JINGJI DAOBAO article on Soviet strategic views on nuclear war.

C. Technical

1. In our continuing search for a digitizer that can be used in a remote setup, we tested a combination of Unidata digitizers and Racal multiport modems using recorders and pre-recorded tapes of varying quality radio broadcasts. The result was very discouraging. This 2400bps digitizer performed poorly even when a strong radio signal with no background noise was used.

2. Equipment received during the month:

Andrews grounding kits (2) and connector (1).

III. ADMINISTRATION

Personnel

1. On 2 August the State Department approved a pay adjustment for the Consulate's FSN (local) employees. The adjustment is retroactive to 26 April 1987 and has salary increases varying among grade levels. Corresponding adjustments to the bureau's FBN wagescale are pending Headquarters approval.

2. [] received a promotion to GS-11.

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3. Chinese monitor [] has accepted a position with BBC External Services. He has submitted his resignation and will be leaving 30 September. Teletypist [] also submitted her resignation effective 26 September. Her resignation was not unexpected as the workload for the teletype section has been greatly reduced since FBA-1 installation.

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4. Three applicants for the two resignations in the Chinese monitorial unit have been identified. They are now in the final stage of selection.

5. Bureau Deputy Chief [] and family arrived PCS on 18 August.

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IV. VISITS

1. The last two members of the LEC installation team for FBA-1 departed during the month, trainer [] on 5 August and [] on 14 August.

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2. Richard Holmes, political officer at the Beijing Embassy, visited the bureau on 5 August for briefing and discussions.

3. On 3 August, John Jerrall, State Department security officer, visited the bureau to review the status of the security doors.

4. AG analyst [] 27-28 August, for discussion and briefing.

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Chief, FBIS Hong Kong Bureau

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Attachment and 4 - HQs

cc: 1 - C/Bangkok
1 - C/Okinawa
1 - C/Seoul

HONG KONG BUREAU PRODUCTION REPORT FOR AUGUST 1987

I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	1006390
TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	78910
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH:	1443

	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE:	2810	14550	230
III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES: (PUBLISHABLE WORDS PER MONTH)			

CHINA

BEIJING INTERNATIONAL SERVICE IN TAGALOG	3850
CHANGSHA HUNAN PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	6660
CHENGDU SICHUAN PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	6520
GUANGZHOU GUANGDONG PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	8710
GUIYANG GUIZHOU PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	2420
HAIKOU HAINAN ISLAND SERVICE IN MANDARIN	2450
KUNMING YUNNAN PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	4360
LANZHOU GANSU PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	8440
LHASA XIZANG REGIONAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	9430
NANNING GUANGXI REGIONAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	2410
TAIYUAN SHANXI PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	300
URUMQI XINJIANG REGIONAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	4870
WUHAN HUBEI PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	9420
XIAN SHAANXI PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	4030
XINING QINGHAI PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	8220

YINCHUAN NINGXIA REGIONAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	640
ZHENGZHOU HENAN PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	3200
BEIJING XINHUA HONG KONG SERVICE IN CHINESE	1830
BEIJING BAN YUE TAN IN CHINESE	13600
BEIJING CHINA DAILY IN ENGLISH	42320
BEIJING GONGREN RIBAO IN CHINESE	0
BEIJING GUANGMING RIBAO IN CHINESE	55530
BEIJING GUOJI SHANGBAO IN CHINESE	720
BEIJING GUOJI WENTI YANJIU IN CHINESE	9610
BEIJING HONGQI IN CHINESE	53530
BEIJING JIEFANGJUN BAO IN CHINESE	28290
BEIJING JINGJI CANKAO IN CHINESE	0
BEIJING JINGJI GUANLI IN CHINESE	43440
BEIJING JINGJI RIBAO IN CHINESE	16890
BEIJING JINGJI YANJIU IN CHINESE	10290
BEIJING JINGJIXUE ZHOUBAO IN CHINESE	0
BEIJING LIAOWANG IN CHINESE	31210
BEIJING LILUN YUEKAN IN CHINESE	18430
BEIJING LISHI YANJIU IN CHINESE	0
BEIJING NONGMIN RIBAO IN CHINESE	7390
BEIJING QUNYAN IN CHINESE	7110
BEIJING RENMIN RIBAO IN CHINESE	128780

BEIJING RENMIN RIBAO OVERSEAS EDITION IN CHINESE	3190
BEIJING SHIJIE JINGJI IN CHINESE	0
BEIJING SHIJIE LISHI IN CHINESE	0
BEIJING SHIJIE ZHISHI IN CHINESE	2730
BEIJING WENYI BAO IN CHINESE	0
BEIJING WENZHAI BAO IN CHINESE	430
BEIJING XINWEN ZHANXIAN IN CHINESE	3120
BEIJING ZHEXUE YANJIU IN CHINESE	0

BEIJING ZHONGGUO FAZHI BAO IN CHINESE	1970
BEIJING ZHONGGUO JINGJI TIZHI GAIGE IN CHINESE	2500
BEIJING ZHONGGUO QINGNIAN BAO IN CHINESE	1290
CHENGDU SICHUAN RIBAO IN CHINESE	1120
CHONGQING CHONGQING RIBAO IN CHINESE	0
GUANGZHOU KAIFANG IN CHINESE	0
GUANGZHOU NANFANG RIBAO IN CHINESE	0
GUANGZHOU YANGCHENG WANBAO IN CHINESE	3120
HONG KONG LIAOWANG OVERSEAS EDITION IN CHINESE	24630
KUNMING YUNNAN RIBAO IN CHINESE	0
SHANGHAI SHIJIE JINGJI DAOBAO IN CHINESE	15220
TAIYUAN SHANXI RIBAO IN CHINESE	670
WUHAN CHANGJIANG RIBAO IN CHINESE	1300

WUHAN HUBEI RIBAO IN CHINESE	3480
XIAN SHAANXI RIBAO IN CHINESE	0
XIAN XIBEI XINXI DAOBAO IN CHINESE	520

HONG KONG	
HONG KONG COMMERCIAL RADIO IN ENGLISH	860
HONG KONG DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ENGLISH	200
HONG KONG ASIA TELEVISION LIMITED IN ENGLISH	0
HONG KONG AFP IN ENGLISH	72640
HONG KONG ZHONGGUO TONGXUN SHE IN CHINESE	7660
HONG KONG ZHONGGUO XINWEN SHE IN CHINESE	27430
HONG KONG ASIAWEEK IN ENGLISH	2070
HONG KONG CHANWANG IN CHINESE	0

HONG KONG CHENG MING IN CHINESE	560
HONG KONG CHING PAO IN CHINESE	10080
HONG KONG CHIUSHIH NIENTAI IN CHINESE	3270
HONG KONG FAR EASTERN ECONOMIC REVIEW IN ENGLISH	0
HONG KONG HONGKONG STANDARD IN ENGLISH	22340
HONG KONG HSIN WAN PAO IN CHINESE	4130
HONG KONG KUANG CHIAO CHING IN CHINESE	2670
HONG KONG MING PAO IN CHINESE	1850

HONG KONG PAI HSING IN	
CHINESE	1980
HONG KONG SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST IN	
ENGLISH	47460
HONG KONG SOUTH CHINA SUNDAY MORNING POST IN	
ENGLISH	9730
HONG KONG SUNDAY STANDARD IN	
ENGLISH	1370
HONG KONG TA KUNG PAO IN	
CHINESE	10320
HONG KONG TA KUNG PAO IN	
ENGLISH	320
HONG KONG WEN WEI PO IN	
CHINESE	14300

PHILIPPINES	
BAGUIO CITY MOUNTAIN PROVINCE BROADCASTING COMPANY IN	
ENGLISH	5810
LAOAG CITY NATION BROADCASTING COMPANY CORP. STATION DWRI IN	
ILOCANO	0
MANILA FAR EAST BROADCASTING COMPANY IN	
ENGLISH	24580
MANILA FAR EAST BROADCASTING COMPANY IN	
TAGALOG	2010
MANILA RADIO VERITAS IN	
TAGALOG	5210
QUEZON CITY RADYO NG BAYAN IN	
ENGLISH	1050
QUEZON CITY RADYO NG BAYAN IN	
TAGALOG	1610
QUEZON CITY SPORTS RADIO 738 IN	
ENGLISH	9510

DAVAO CITY PERYODIKO DABAW IN	
ENGLISH	310
DAVAO CITY THE MINDANAO DAILY MIRROR IN	
ENGLISH	750

MANILA MANILA BULLETIN IN ENGLISH	16200
MANILA MANILA STANDARD IN ENGLISH	300
MANILA PHILIPPINE DAILY INQUIRER IN ENGLISH	37800
MANILA THE MANILA CHRONICLE IN ENGLISH	23220
MANILA THE MANILA TIMES IN ENGLISH	3500
MANILA THE NEW PHILIPPINES DAILY EXPRESS IN ENGLISH	0
MANILA THE NEW PHILIPPINES SUNDAY EXPRESS IN ENGLISH	0
MANILA THE PHILIPPINES STAR IN ENGLISH	2070
MANILA THE SUNDAY TIMES IN ENGLISH	0
QUEZON CITY MALAYA IN ENGLISH	10600
QUEZON CITY THE MANILA TIMES IN ENGLISH	430
QUEZON CITY WE FORUM IN ENGLISH	0